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Easy Park Mapping App.

Access Park Maps without ArcGIS

"A server crash early in 2012 wiped out a previous version of our Geocortex web-mapping application. About the same time, the Pacific Island Network hired a new GIS Specialist, Scott Kichman, who completely redesigned the tool. Faster and easier than ArcGIS, the new application also serves as a platform to deliver data with a powerful spatial context."

—G. Kudray, NPS PACN Program Manager

User Friendly

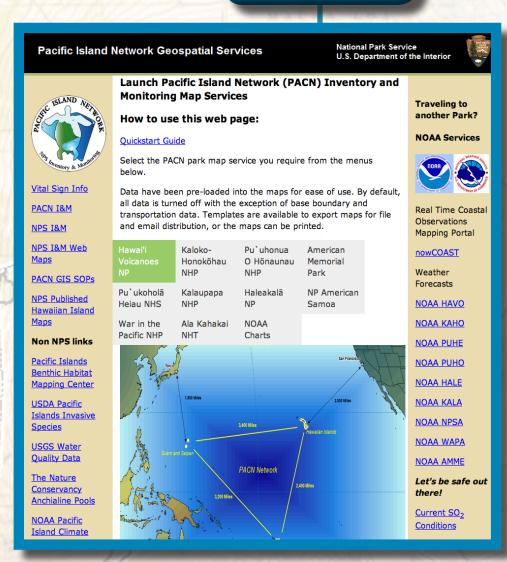
The application interface in Geocortex is simple to use, easy to maintain, and very similar to Bing[™] and Google Map[™] applications.

What You'll Find

The web maps are "park centric". Each map that you open contains baseline information relative to a particular park and, in some cases, the island that the park resides on. Within each map are imagery data including scaled USGS topography maps, and aerial and terrain imagery. Geocortex also links to I&M data, external spatial databases, files, and web services.

The main web page is a launch platform. As soon as you open the web page, you will see a Quickstart Guide link which gives more detailed information on how to use the application. From there you will have easy access to geospatial data such as basic park maps, park vegetation maps, bird monitoring

Simply go to http://pacn.maps.nps.gov/



Pacific Island Network Mapping homepage.

plots, and much more. You can enable or hide data to get exactly what you want. As more monitoring data is collected, new information will be added to the maps.

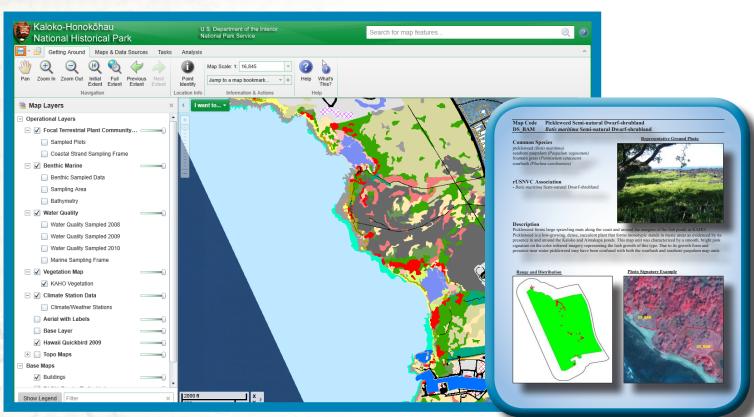
Also included are: NOAA/NWS links to extensive coastal data, weather forecasts for all national parks in the Pacific islands, current VOG conditions, VOG alerts, and PACN contact information.

Test it Out

The best way to see how fast and easy the program works is to give it a test drive. Go to the web page and zoom around, turn data off and on, and try to print a map. Have fun.

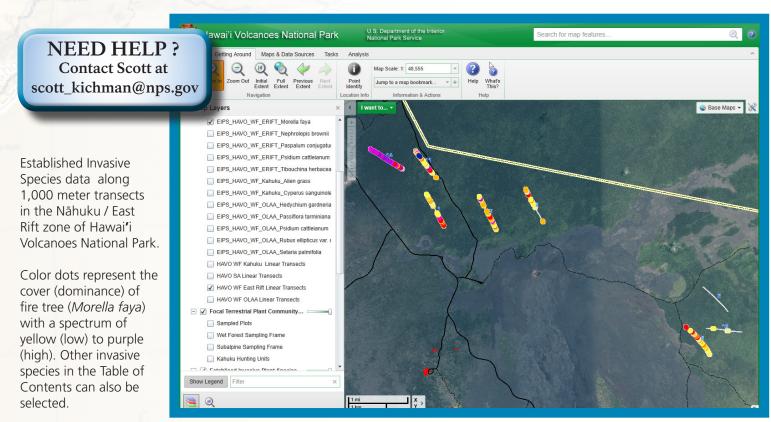
Currently, this new tool is restricted to NPS employees, partners, and approved contractors using NPS computers.

—S. Kichman, NPS GIS Specialist



Vegetation map for Kaloko-Honokōhau National Historical Park. The Table of Contents shows GIS layers available to be turned off or on. There are base layers such as park boundaries, transportation, and background aerial imagery. There are also operational layers that display vital sign monitoring data and sampling information.

Users can click on a polygon to identify the vegetation type, then continue on to a pdf document with photos, species distribution, and other information about the vegetation.



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